

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Franzen *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1634

Serial No.: 10/759,496

Examiner: Sisson, Bradley L.

Filed: January 16, 2004

Docket No.: 297/178/2

Confirmation No.: 7690

For: PHOTOTHERMAL DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID HYBRIDIZATION

AFTER FINAL AMENDMENT D

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the final Official Action dated November 12, 2008. A Petition for a (3)-month Extension of Time, extending the period for response up to and including May 12, 2009 is being filed herewith along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Information Disclosure Statement. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$1,920.00** (representing the extension of time fee and Request for Continued Examination fee for other than small entity) along with any deficiencies of payment to Deposit Account Number **50-0426**. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks and the RCE filed concurrently herewith.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows: